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WAVEGUIDE FIBER**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
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APPLICATION**Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING DIVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment accompanying a **Continuation** of U.S. Application No. 10/023,291 filed December 14, 2001. Applicant requests that prior to the calculation of any fees the following amendments be entered, without prejudice, in the case.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.